Dear Paul, 12/23/69

Just got Hal's letter of the 20th about speaking to Garry, of which I presume he also spoke to you. It will be okay to copy COUP (all) for Charles Garry. I'll be writing him and sending you a copy. We have icy snow on the ground and a fairly heavy one predicted, so I'm going to do the necessary in town immediately and will write after returning. If it is at all possible, when you copy Part 1 for him, I'd appreciate a couple for myself, for which, some way, I'll arrange to repay you. Ditto on the second, if you can "advance" them. I have no copies of either except those my wife is using for indexing, and it is time-wasting for both of us for me to interrupt her to consult them.

Thanks for the Brener book, which also arrived this a.m. On a hunch I checked the index. His first reference doesn't rouble me, his second is evil fiction, for as the unanswered letter I wrote him, having no idea of this, does show, it is quite contrery to anything. As you can imagine, I have never conferred with Lane about anything and rather then Jim having designs on Mertens, of which I have no knowledge, Mertens twice approached me to help him cop a plea.

Again, thanks.

Best,